#### STORM WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN

Permit No. P56-020W; WN#6858; WE#1689; ER# 02-18-006; CP14366

#### Church of the Good Shepherd Bonita

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For:

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#### Storm Water Management Plan For Priority Projects (Major SWMP)

The Major Stormwater Management Plan (Major SWMP) must be completed in its entirety and accompany applications to the County for a permit or approval associated with certain types of development projects. To determine whether your project is required to submit a Major or Minor SWMP, please reference the County's Stormwater Intake Form for Development Projects.

Project Name:	Church of the Good Shepherd
Permit Number (Land Development	Permit No. P56-020W
Projects):	
Work Authorization Number (CIP only):	
Applicant:	Church of the Good Shepherd
Applicant's Address:	3990 Bonita Road
	Bonita, CA. 91902
Plan Prepared By (Leave blank if same as	Cherry Engineering
applicant):	
Date:	October 16, 2008
Revision Date (If applicable):	

The County of San Diego Watershed Protection, Storm Water Management, and Discharge Control Ordinance (WPO) (Ordinance No. 9424) requires all applications for a permit or approval associated with a Land Disturbance Activity to be accompanied by a Storm Water Management Plan (SWMP) (section 67.806.b). The purpose of the SWMP is to describe how the project will minimize the short and long-term impacts on receiving water quality. Projects that meet the criteria for a priority development project are required to prepare a Major SWMP.

Since the SWMP is a living document, revisions may be necessary during various stages of approval by the County. Please provide the approval information requested below.

Project Stages		e SWMP visions?	If YES, Provide Revision Date
	YES	NO	Revision Date
6 <sup>th</sup> Review of Initial Studies	X		August 29, 2008
7 <sup>th</sup> Review of initial Studies	X		October 16, 2008

Instructions for a Major SWMP can be downloaded at <a href="http://www.co.sandiego.ca.us/dpw/stormwater/susmp.html">http://www.co.sandiego.ca.us/dpw/stormwater/susmp.html</a>.

Completion of the following checklists and attachments will fulfill the requirements of a Major SWMP for the project listed above.

#### PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Please provide a brief description of the project in the following box. Please include:

- Project Location
- Project Description
- Physical Features (Topography)
- Surrounding Land Use
- Proposed Project Land Use
- Location of dry weather flows (year-round flows in streams, or creeks) within project limits, if applicable.

#### Project Location:

3990 Bonita Road, Bonita, CA.

**Project Description** 

An expansion to the existing church; the proposed improvements include a 6,000 square foot sanctuary, an 8,800 square foot classroom area, asphalt concrete roadways and a pervious pavement parking lot. Total site area is 3.7 acres. Impervious surfaces will remain constant at approximately 66,000 square feet. The existing natural channel onsite will be improved to convey 100-year storm flows.

#### Physical Features:

The site is located in a small valley south of Bonita Road at Willow Street. The valley floor slopes to the north at grades of 2% and 3%. Unimproved portions of the site are covered with natural grasses and large trees. Existing church improvements and a residence currently occupy the site. The site and immediate surroundings is zoned RR1 Rural Residential. Upstream areas include open space and low/medium density housing.

Surrounding Land Use: Rural Residential

Proposed Project Land Use: Church and Day Care

Dry Weather Flows: There are no dry weather flows onsite.

#### PRIORITY DEVELOPMENT PROJECT DETERMINATION

Please check the box that best describes the project. Does the project meet one of the following criteria?

Table 1

PRIORITY DEVELOPMENT PROJECT	YES	NO
Redevelopment that creates or adds at least 5,000 net square feet of		X
additional impervious surface area		
Residential development of more than 10 units		X
Commercial developments with a land area for development of greater		X
than 1 acre		
Heavy industrial development with a land area for development of greater		X
than 1 acre		
Automotive repair shop(s)		X
Restaurants, where the land area for development is greater than 5,000		X
square feet		
Hillside development, in an area with known erosive soil conditions,		X
where there will be grading on any natural slope that is twenty-five percent		
or greater, if the development creates 5,000 square feet or more of		
impervious surface		
Environmentally Sensitive Areas (ESA): All development located within or		X
directly adjacent to or discharging directly to an ESA (where discharges		
from the development or redevelopment will enter receiving waters within		
the ESA), which either creates 2,500 square feet of impervious surface on a		
proposed project site or increases the area of imperviousness of a proposed		
project site to 10% or more of its naturally occurring condition. "Directly		
adjacent" means situated within 200 feet of the ESA. "Discharging directly		
to" means outflow from a drainage conveyance system that is composed		
entirely of flows from the subject development or redevelopment site, and		
not commingled with flows from adjacent lands.		
Parking Lots 5,000 square feet or more or with 15 parking spaces or more	X	
and potentially exposed to urban runoff		
Streets, roads, highways, and freeways which would create a new paved		X
surface that is 5,000 square feet or greater		
Retail Gasoline Outlets (RGO) that meet the following criteria: (a) 5,000		X
square feet or more or (b) a projected Average Daily Traffic (ADT) of 100		
or more vehicles per day.		

**Limited Exclusion:** Trenching and resurfacing work associated with utility projects are not considered Priority Development Projects. Parking lots, buildings and other structures associated with utility projects are subject to the WPO requirements if one or more of the criteria above are met.

If you answered **NO** to all the questions, then **STOP**. Please complete a Minor SWMP for your project.

If you answered **YES** to any of the questions, please continue.

#### HYDROMODIFICATION DETERMINATION

The following questions provide a guide to collecting information relevant to hydromodification management issues.

Table 2

	QUESTIONS	YES	NO	Information
1.	Will the proposed project disturb 50 or		X	If YES, continue to 2.
	more acres of land? (Including all phases			If NO, go to 6.
	of development)			
2.	Would the project site discharge directly			If NO, continue to 3.
	into channels that are concrete-lined or			If YES, go to 6.
	significantly hardened such as with rip-			
	rap, sackcrete, etc, downstream to their			
	outfall into bays or the ocean?			
3.	Would the project site discharge directly			If NO, continue to 4.
	into underground storm drains			If YES, go to 6.
	discharging directly to bays or the ocean?			
4.	Would the project site discharge directly			If NO, continue to 5.
	to a channel (lined or un-lined) and the			If YES, go to 6.
	combined impervious surfaces			
	downstream from the project site to			
	discharge at the ocean or bay are 70% or			
	greater?			
5.	Project is required to manage			Hydromodification
	hydromodification impacts.			Management Required
				as described in Section
				67.812 b(4) of the
				WPO.
6.	Project is not required to manage			Hydromodification
	hydromodification impacts.			Exempt. Keep on file.

An exemption is potentially available for projects that are required (No. 5. in Table 2 above) to manage hydromodification impacts: The project proponent may conduct an independent geomorphic study to determine the project's full hydromodification impact. The study must incorporate sediment transport modeling across the range of geomorphically-significant flows and demonstrate to the County's satisfaction that the project flows and sediment reductions will not detrimentally affect the receiving water to qualify for the exemption.

#### STORMWATER QUALITY DETERMINATION

The following questions provide a guide to collecting information relevant to project stormwater quality issues. Please provide the following information in a printed report accompanying this form.

Table 3

	QUESTIONS	COMPLETED	NA
1.	Describe the topography of the project area.	X	
2.	Describe the local land use within the project area and	X	
	adjacent areas.		
3.	Evaluate the presence of dry weather flow.	X	
4.	Determine the receiving waters that may be affected by the	X	
	project throughout all phases of development (i.e.,		
	construction, maintenance and operation).		
5.	For the project limits, list the 303(d) impaired receiving	X	
	water bodies and their constituents of concern.		
6.	Determine if there are any High Risk Areas (which is		X
	defined by the presence of municipal or domestic water		
	supply reservoirs or groundwater percolation facilities)		
	within the project limits.		
7.	Determine the Regional Board special requirements,	X	
	including TMDLs, effluent limits, etc.		
8.	Determine the general climate of the project area. Identify	X	
	annual rainfall and rainfall intensity curves.		
9.	If considering Treatment BMPs, determine the soil		X
	classification, permeability, erodibility, and depth to		
	groundwater.		
10.	Determine contaminated or hazardous soils within the		X
	project area.		
11.	Determine if this project is within the environmentally		X
	sensitive areas as defined on the maps in Appendix A of		
	the County of San Diego Standard Urban Storm Water		
	Mitigation Plan for Land Development and Public		
	Improvement Projects.		
12.	Determine if this project is an emergency project.		X

See Table 3 Summary Report at end of SWMP text prior to appendices.

#### WATERSHED

Please check the watershed(s) for the project.

☐ San Juan 901	□ Santa Margarita 902	☐ San Luis Rey 903	☐ Carlsbad 904
☐ San Dieguito 905	☐ Penasquitos 906	□ San Diego 907	x Sweetwater 909
□ Otay 910	□ Tijuana 911	☐ Whitewater 719	□ Clark 720
☐ West Salton 721	□ Anza Borrego 722	☐ Imperial 723	

Please provide the hydrologic sub-area and number(s)

Number	Name
909.12	Sweetwater River

Please provide the beneficial uses for Inland Surface Waters and Ground Waters. Beneficial Uses can be obtained from the Water Quality Control Plan for the San Diego Basin, which is available at the Regional Board office or at <a href="http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/rwqcb9/programs/basinplan.html">http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/rwqcb9/programs/basinplan.html</a>.

SURFACE WATERS	Hydrologic Unit Basin Number	MUN	AGR	IND	PROC	GWR	FRESH	POW	REC1	REC2	BIOL	WARM	COLD	WILD	RARE	SPWN
Inland Surface Waters	909.12	+		Χ					0	Χ		Χ		Χ		

#### \* Excepted from Municipal

X Existing Beneficial Use

0 Potential Beneficial Use

+ Excepted from MUN.

#### POLLUTANTS OF CONCERN

Using Table 4, identify pollutants that are anticipated to be generated from the proposed priority project categories. Pollutants associated with any hazardous material sites that have been remediated or are not threatened by the proposed project are not considered a pollutant of concern.

Table 4. Anticipated and Potential Pollutants Generated by Land Use Type

		General Pollutant Categories										
PDP Categories	Sediments	Nutrients	Heavy Metals	Organic Compounds	Trash & Debris	Oxygen Demanding Substances	Oil & Grease	Bacteria & Viruses	Pesticides			
Detached Residential Development	X	X			X	X	X	X	X			
Attached Residential Development	X	X			X	P <sup>(1)</sup>	P <sup>(2)</sup>	P	X			
Commercial Development 1 acre or greater	P <sup>(1)</sup>	P <sup>(1)</sup>		$P^{(2)}$	X	P <sup>(5)</sup>	X	P <sup>(3)</sup>	P <sup>(5)</sup>			
Heavy industry /industrial development	X		X	X	X	X	X					
Automotive Repair Shops			X	$X^{(4)(5)}$	X		X					
Restaurants					X	X	X	X				
Hillside Development >5,000 ft <sup>2</sup>	X	X			X	X	X		X			
Parking Lots	P <sup>(1)</sup>	P <sup>(1)</sup>	X		X	$P^{(1)}$	X		$\mathbf{P}^{(1)}$			
Retail Gasoline Outlets			X	X	X	X	X					
Streets, Highways & Freeways	X	P <sup>(1)</sup>	X	$X^{(4)}$	X	P <sup>(5)</sup>	X					

X = anticipated

P = potential

- (1) A potential pollutant if landscaping exists on-site.
- (2) A potential pollutant if the project includes uncovered parking areas.
- (3) A potential pollutant if land use involves food or animal waste products.
- (4) Including petroleum hydrocarbons.
- (5) Including solvents.

**Note:** If other monitoring data that is relevant to the project is available. Please include as Attachment C.

#### **CONSTRUCTION BMPs**

Please check the construction BMPs that may be implemented during construction of the project. The applicant will be responsible for the placement and maintenance of the BMPs incorporated into the final project design.

X	Silt Fence	X	Desilting Basin
X	Fiber Rolls	X	Gravel Bag Berm
X	Street Sweeping and Vacuuming	X	Sandbag Barrier
X	Storm Drain Inlet Protection	X	Material Delivery and Storage
X	Stockpile Management	X	Spill Prevention and Control
X	Solid Waste Management	X	Concrete Waste Management
X	Stabilized Construction Entrance/Exit	X	Water Conservation Practices
X	Dewatering Operations	X	Paving and Grinding Operations
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- x Vehicle and Equipment Maintenance
- x Any minor slopes created incidental to construction and not subject to a major or minor grading permit shall be protected by covering with plastic or tarp prior to a rain event, and shall have vegetative cover reestablished within 180 days of completion of the slope and prior to final building approval.

#### EXCEPTIONAL THREAT TO WATER QUALITY DETERMINATION

Complete the checklist below to determine if a proposed project will pose an "exceptional threat to water quality," and therefore require Advanced Treatment Best Management Practices.

Table 5

No.	CRITERIA	YES	NO	INFORMATION
1.	Is all or part of the proposed project site within 200 feet of waters		X	If YES, continue
	named on the Clean Water Act (CWA) Section 303(d) list of Water			to 2.
	Quality Limited Segments as impaired for sedimentation and/or			If NO, go to 5.
	turbidity? Current 303d list may be obtained from the following site:			
	http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/tmdl/docs/303dlists2006/approved/r9_06_303d_reqt			
	mdls.pdf			
2.	Will the project disturb more than 5 acres, including all phases of the		X	If YES, continue
	development?			to 3.
				If NO, go to 5.
3.	Will the project disturb slopes that are steeper than 4:1 (horizontal:		X	If YES, continue
	vertical) with at least 10 feet of relief, and that drain toward the 303(d)			to 4.
	listed receiving water for sedimentation and/or turbidity?			If NO, go to 5.
4.	Will the project disturb soils with a predominance of USDA-NRCS		X	If YES, continue
	Erosion factors k <sub>f</sub> greater than or equal to 0.4?			to 6.
<u> </u>				If NO, go to 5.
5.	Project is not required to use Advanced Treatment BMPs.	X		Document for
				Project Files by
				referencing this
				checklist.
6.	Project poses an "exceptional threat to water quality" and is required to		X	Advanced
	use Advanced Treatment BMPs.			Treatment BMPs
				must be consistent
				with WPO section
				67.811(b)(20)(D)
				performance
				criteria

#### **Exemption potentially available for projects that require advanced treatment:**

Project proponent may perform a Revised Universal Soil Loss Equation, Version 2 (RUSLE 2), Modified Universal Soil Loss Equation (MUSLE), or similar analysis that shows to the County official's satisfaction that advanced treatment is not required

Now that the need for treatment BMPs has been determined, other information is needed to complete the SWMP.

#### SITE DESIGN

To minimize stormwater impacts, site design measures must be addressed. The following checklist provides options for avoiding or reducing potential impacts during project planning. If YES is checked, it is assumed that the measure was used for this project.

Table 6

		OPTIONS	YES	NO	N/A
1.	Has th	ne project been located and road improvements aligned	X		
	to avo	oid or minimize impacts to receiving waters or to			
	increa	se the preservation of critical (or problematic) areas			
	such a	as floodplains, steep slopes, wetlands, and areas with			
		re or unstable soil conditions?			
2.	Is the	project designed to minimize impervious footprint?	X		
3.	Is the	project conserving natural areas where feasible?	X		
4.		e landscape is proposed, are rooftops, impervious	X		
		alks, walkways, trails and patios drained into adjacent			
		caping?			
5.		adway projects, are structures and bridges designed or			X
		d to reduce work in live streams and minimize			
		ruction impacts?			
6.		ny of the following methods be utilized to minimize			
	erosic	on from slopes:			
	6.a.	Disturbing existing slopes only when necessary?	X		
	6.b.	Minimize cut and fill areas to reduce slope lengths?	X		
	6.c.	Incorporating retaining walls to reduce steepness of	X		
		slopes or to shorten slopes?			
	6.d.	Providing benches or terraces on high cut and fill			X
		slopes to reduce concentration of flows?			
	6.e.	Rounding and shaping slopes to reduce concentrated	X		
		flow?			
	6.f.	Collecting concentrated flows in stabilized drains and channels?	X		

#### LOW IMPACT DEVELOPMENT (LID)

Each numbered item below is a LID requirement of the WPO. Please check the box(s) under each number that best describes the Low Impact Development BMP(s) selected for this project.

#### Table 7

1.	Conserve natural Areas, Soils, and Vegetation-County LID Handbook 2.2.1
	☐ Preserve well draining soils (Type A or B)
	x Preserve Significant Trees
	☐ Other. Description:
	☐ 1. Not feasible. State Reason:
2.	Minimize Disturbance to Natural Drainages-County LID Handbook 2.2.2
	x Set-back development envelope from drainages
	x Restrict heavy construction equipment access to planned green/open space areas
	☐ Other. Description:
	☐ 2. Not feasible. State Reason:
3.	Minimize and Disconnect Impervious Surfaces (see 5) -County LID Handbook 2.2.3
	x Clustered Lot Design
	☐ Items checked in 5?
	x Other. Description: use of permeable pavement.
	☐ 3. Not feasible. State Reason:
4.	Minimize Soil Compaction-County LID Handbook 2.2.4
	x Restrict heavy construction equipment access to planned green/open space areas
	☐ Re-till soils compacted by construction vehicles/equipment
	☐ Collect & re-use upper soil layers of development site containing organic materials
	☐ Other. Description:
	4. Not feasible. State Reason:
5. 2.2.	Drain Runoff from Impervious Surfaces to Pervious Areas-County LID Handbook

LID	Street & Road Design
X	Curb-cuts to landscaping
X	Rural Swales
	Concave Median
	Cul-de-sac Landscaping Design
	Other. Description:
LID	Parking Lot Design
X	Permeable Pavements
X	Curb-cuts to landscaping
	Other. Description:
LID	Driveway, Sidewalk, Bike-path Design
X	Permeable Pavements
X	Pitch pavements toward landscaping
	Other. Description:
LID	Building Design
	Cisterns & Rain Barrels
	Downspout to swale
	Vegetated Roofs
	Other. Description:
LID	Landscaping Design
X	Soil Amendments
X	Reuse of Native Soils
X	Smart Irrigation Systems
	Street Trees
	Other. Description:
□ 5. No	ot feasible. State Reason:

#### **CHANNELS & DRAINAGES**

Complete the following checklist to determine if the project includes work in channels.

#### Table 8

No.	CRITERIA	YES	NO	N/A	COMMENTS
1.	Will the project include work in channels?		X		If YES go to 2
					If NO go to 13.
2.	Will the project increase velocity or				If YES go to 6.
	volume of downstream flow?				
3.	Will the project discharge to unlined				If YES go to. 6.
	channels?				
4.	Will the project increase potential				If YES go to 6.
	sediment load of downstream flow?				
5.	Will the project encroach, cross, realign,				If YES go to 8.
	or cause other hydraulic changes to a				
	stream that may affect downstream				
	channel stability?				
6.	Review channel lining materials and				Continue to 7.
	design for stream bank erosion.				
7.	Consider channel erosion control measures				Continue to 8.
	within the project limits as well as				
	downstream. Consider scour velocity.				
8.	Include, where appropriate, energy				Continue to 9.
	dissipation devices at culverts.				
9.	Ensure all transitions between culvert				Continue to 10.
	outlets/headwalls/wingwalls and channels				
	are smooth to reduce turbulence and scour.				
10.	Include, if appropriate, detention facilities				
	to reduce peak discharges.				
	"Hardening" natural downstream areas to				Continue to 12.
11.	prevent erosion is not an acceptable				
	technique for protecting channel slopes,				
	unless pre-development conditions are				
	determined to be so erosive that hardening				
	would be required even in the absence of				
10	the proposed development.				G .: 12
12.	Provide other design principles that are				Continue to 13.
10	comparable and equally effective.				
13.	End				

#### SOURCE CONTROL

Please complete the following checklist for Source Control BMPs. If the BMP is not applicable for this project, then check N/A only at the main category.

#### Table 9

		BMP	YES	NO	N/A
1.	Provi	de Storm Drain System Stenciling and Signage			
	1.a.	All storm drain inlets and catch basins within the project area		X	
		shall have a stencil or tile placed with prohibitive language			
		(such as: "NO DUMPING – DRAINS TO") and/or			
		graphical icons to discourage illegal dumping.			
	1.b.	Signs and prohibitive language and/or graphical icons, which		X	
		prohibit illegal dumping, must be posted at public access points			
		along channels and creeks within the project area.			
2.		n Outdoors Material Storage Areas to Reduce Pollution			X
	Intro	luction			
	2.a.	This is a detached single-family residential project. Therefore,			
		personal storage areas are exempt from this requirement.			
	2.b.	Hazardous materials with the potential to contaminate urban			
		runoff shall either be: (1) placed in an enclosure such as, but not			
		limited to, a cabinet, shed, or similar structure that prevents			
		contact with runoff or spillage to the storm water conveyance			
		system; or (2) protected by secondary containment structures			
		such as berms, dikes, or curbs.			
	2.c.	The storage area shall be paved and sufficiently impervious to			
		contain leaks and spills.			
	2.d.	The storage area shall have a roof or awning to minimize direct			
		precipitation within the secondary containment area.			
3.	Design	n Trash Storage Areas to Reduce Pollution Introduction			
	3.a.	Paved with an impervious surface, designed not to allow run-on	X		
		from adjoining areas, screened or walled to prevent off-site			
		transport of trash; or,			
	3.b.	Provide attached lids on all trash containers that exclude rain, or	X		
		roof or awning to minimize direct precipitation.			
4.	Use E	fficient Irrigation Systems & Landscape Design			
	The fo	ollowing methods to reduce excessive irrigation runoff shall be			
		lered, and incorporated and implemented where determined			
	applic	able and feasible.			
	4.a.	Employing rain shutoff devices to prevent irrigation after	X		
		precipitation.			
	4.b.	Designing irrigation systems to each landscape area's specific	X		
		water requirements.			
	4.c.	Using flow reducers or shutoff valves triggered by a pressure		X	
		drop to control water loss in the event of broken sprinkler heads			
		or lines.			
	4.d.	Employing other comparable, equally effective, methods to	X		
		reduce irrigation water runoff.			
5.	Privat	te Roads			

		BMP	YES	NO	N/A
	The d	esign of private roadway drainage shall use at least one of the			
	follov	ving			
	5.a.	Rural swale system: street sheet flows to vegetated swale or	X		
		gravel shoulder, curbs at street corners, culverts under			
		driveways and street crossings.			
	5.b.	Urban curb/swale system: street slopes to curb, periodic swale	X		
		inlets drain to vegetated swale/biofilter.			
	5.c.	Dual drainage system: First flush captured in street catch basins		X	
		and discharged to adjacent vegetated swale or gravel shoulder,			
		high flows connect directly to storm water conveyance system.			
	5.d.	Other methods that are comparable and equally effective within		X	
		the project.			
6.	Resid	ential Driveways & Guest Parking			X
	The d	esign of driveways and private residential parking areas shall use			
		least of the following features.			
	6.a.	Design driveways with shared access, flared (single lane at			
		street) or wheelstrips (paving only under tires); or, drain into			
		landscaping prior to discharging to the storm water conveyance			
		system.			
	6.b.	Uncovered temporary or guest parking on private residential lots			
		may be: paved with a permeable surface; or, designed to drain			
		into landscaping prior to discharging to the storm water			
		conveyance system.			
	6.c.	Other features which are comparable and equally effective.			
7.	Dock	Areas			Х
	Loadi	ng/unloading dock areas shall include the following.			
	7.a.	Cover loading dock areas, or design drainage to preclude urban			
		run-on and runoff.			
	7.b.	Direct connections to storm drains from depressed loading			
		docks (truck wells) are prohibited.			
	7.c.	Other features which are comparable and equally effective.			
8.		tenance Bays			X
· ·		enance bays shall include the following.			
	8.a.	Repair/maintenance bays shall be indoors; or, designed to			
	J.u.	preclude urban run-on and runoff.			
	8.b.	Design a repair/maintenance bay drainage system to capture all			
		wash water, leaks and spills. Connect drains to a sump for			
		collection and disposal. Direct connection of the			
		repair/maintenance bays to the storm drain system is prohibited.			
		If required by local jurisdiction, obtain an Industrial Waste			
		Discharge Permit.			
	8.c.	Other features which are comparable and equally effective.			
9.	+	ele Wash Areas	<u> </u>		Х
<i></i>		ty projects that include areas for washing/steam cleaning of	<u> </u>		
		les shall use the following.			
	9.a.	Self-contained; or covered with a roof or overhang.	<del>                                     </del>		
	9.a. 9.b.	Equipped with a clarifier or other pretreatment facility.			
	9.c.	Properly connected to a sanitary sewer.	<del>                                     </del>		
	+		-		
	9.d.	Other features which are comparable and equally effective.			

		BMP	YES	NO	N/A
10.	Outdo	oor Processing Areas			X
	Outdo	or process equipment operations, such as rock grinding or			
	crushi	ng, painting or coating, grinding or sanding, degreasing or parts			
	cleani	ng, waste piles, and wastewater and solid waste treatment and			
	dispos	al, and other operations determined to be a potential threat to			
	water	quality by the County shall adhere to the following requirements.			
	10.a.	Cover or enclose areas that would be the most significant source			
		of pollutants; or, slope the area toward a dead-end sump; or,			
		discharge to the sanitary sewer system following appropriate			
		treatment in accordance with conditions established by the			
		applicable sewer agency.			
	10.b.	Grade or berm area to prevent run-on from surrounding areas.			
	10.c.	Installation of storm drains in areas of equipment repair is			
		prohibited.			
	10.d.	Other features which are comparable or equally effective.			
11.	Equip	oment Wash Areas			X
		or equipment/accessory washing and steam cleaning activities			
	shall b				<u> </u>
	11.a.	Be self-contained; or covered with a roof or overhang.			
	11.b.	Be equipped with a clarifier, grease trap or other pretreatment			
		facility, as appropriate			
	11.c.	Be properly connected to a sanitary sewer.			
	11.d.	Other features which are comparable or equally effective.			
12.	Parki	ng Areas			
	The fo	ollowing design concepts shall be considered, and incorporated			
	and in	applemented where determined applicable and feasible by the			
	Count				
	12.a.	Where landscaping is proposed in parking areas, incorporate	X		
		landscape areas into the drainage design.			
	12.b.	Overflow parking (parking stalls provided in excess of the	X		
		County's minimum parking requirements) may be constructed			
		with permeable paving.			
	12.c.	Other design concepts that are comparable and equally effective.		X	
13.	Fuelin	ng Area			X
	Non-r	etail fuel dispensing areas shall contain the following.			
	13.a.	Overhanging roof structure or canopy. The cover's minimum			
		dimensions must be equal to or greater than the area within the			
		grade break. The cover must not drain onto the fuel dispensing			
		area and the downspouts must be routed to prevent drainage			
		across the fueling area. The fueling area shall drain to the			
		project's treatment control BMP(s) prior to discharging to the			
		storm water conveyance system.			
	13.b.	Paved with Portland cement concrete (or equivalent smooth			
		impervious surface). The use of asphalt concrete shall be			
		prohibited.			
	13.c.	Have an appropriate slope to prevent ponding, and must be			
	13.0.				
	13.0.	separated from the rest of the site by a grade break that prevents run-on of urban runoff.			

	BMP	YES	NO	N/A
13.d.	At a minimum, the concrete fuel dispensing area must extend			
	6.5 feet (2.0 meters) from the corner of each fuel dispenser, or			
	the length at which the hose and nozzle assembly may be			
	operated plus 1 foot (0.3 meter), whichever is less.			

Please list other project specific Source Control BMPs in the following box. Write **N/A** if there are none.

N/A

#### TREATMENT CONTROL

To select a structural treatment BMP using Treatment Control BMP Selection Matrix (Table 10), each priority project shall compare the list of pollutants for which the downstream receiving waters are impaired (if any), with the pollutants anticipated to be generated by the project (as identified in Table 4). Any pollutants identified by Table 4, which are also causing a Clean Water Act section 303(d) impairment of the receiving waters of the project, shall be considered primary pollutants of concern. Priority projects that are anticipated to generate a primary pollutant of concern shall select a single or combination of stormwater BMPs from Table 11, which **maximizes pollutant removal** for the particular primary pollutant(s) of concern.

Priority development projects that are <u>not</u> anticipated to generate a pollutant for which the receiving water is CWA 303(d) impaired shall select a single or combination of stormwater BMPs from Table 10, which are effective for pollutant removal of the identified secondary pollutants of concern, consistent with the "maximum extent practicable" standard.

**Table 10. Treatment Control BMP Selection Matrix** 

Pollutants of	Bioretention	Settling	Wet Ponds	Infiltration	Media	High-rate	High-rate	Trash Racks
Concern	Facilities	Basins	and	Facilities or	Filters	biofilters	media	& Hydro
	(LID)*	(Dry Ponds)	Wetlands	Practices (LID)*			filters	-dynamic Devices
~	TT' 1	TT' 1	77' 1		TT: 1	TT' 1	77' 1	
Coarse	High	High	High	High	High	High	High	High
Sediment and								
Trash								
Pollutants	High	High	High	High	High	Medium	Medium	Low
that tend to								
associate with								
fine particles								
during								
treatment								
Pollutants	Medium	Low	Medium	High	Low	Low	Low	Low
that tend to								
be dissolved								
following								
treatment								

<sup>\*</sup>Additional information is available in the County of San Diego LID Handbook.

#### NOTES ON POLLUTANTS OF CONCERN:

In Table 11, Pollutants of Concern are grouped as gross pollutants, pollutants that tend to associate with fine particles, and pollutants that remain dissolved.

Table 11

Pollutant	Coarse Sediment and Trash	Pollutants that tend to associate with fine	Pollutants that tend to be dissolved following
		particles during	treatment
		treatment	
Sediment	X	X	
Nutrients		X	X
Heavy Metals		X	
Organic Compounds		X	
Trash & Debris	X		
Oxygen Demanding		X	
Bacteria		X	
Oil & Grease		X	
Pesticides		X	

A Treatment BMP must address runoff from developed areas. Please provide the post-construction water quality values for the project. Label outfalls on the BMP map. The Water Quality peak rate of discharge flow  $(Q_{WQ})$  and the Water Quality storage volume  $(V_{WQ})$  is dependent on the type of treatment BMP selected for the project.

Outfall	Tributary Area (acres)	QwQ (cfs)	$V_{WQ}(ft^3)$
Bonita Road Culvert	3.7	3.7(0.2)(0.57)=0.42cfs	N/A (Flow)
Southerly Parking Lot	0.75	0.75(0.2)(0.57)=0.09cfs	N/A (Flow)
Westerly Parking Lot	1.0	1.0(0.2)(0.8)=0.16cfs	N/A (Flow)

Please check the box(s) that best describes the Treatment BMP(s) selected for this project.

project.
Biofilters
☐ Bioretention swale
x Vegetated filter strip
☐ Stormwater Planter Box (open-bottomed)
☐ Stormwater Flow-Through Planter (sealed bottom)
☐ Bioretention Area
☐ Vegetated Roofs/Modules/Walls
<b>Detention Basins</b>
☐ Extended/dry detention basin with grass/vegetated
lining
☐ Extended/dry detention basin with impervious lining
Infiltration Basins

☐ Infiltration basin
☐ Infiltration trench
□ Dry well
x Permeable Paving
□ Gravel
☐ Permeable asphalt
x Pervious concrete
☐ Unit pavers, ungrouted, set on sand or gravel
☐ Subsurface reservoir bed
x Curbless landscape islands
Wet Ponds or Wetlands
☐ Wet pond/basin (permanent pool)
☐ Constructed wetland
Filtration
☐ Media filtration
☐ Media filtration ☐ Sand filtration
☐ Sand filtration
☐ Sand filtration  Hydrodynamic Separator Systems

Include Treatment Datasheet as Attachment E. The datasheet	COMPLETED	NO
should include the following:		
1. Description of how treatment BMP was designed. Provide a	X	
description for each type of treatment BMP.		
2. Engineering calculations for the BMP(s)	X	

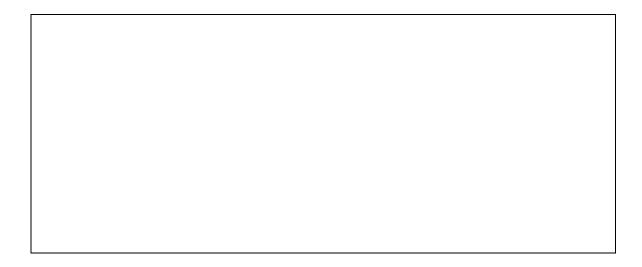
Please describe why the selected treatment BMP(s) was selected for this project. For projects utilizing a low performing BMP, please provide a detailed explanation.

The proposed grass lined channel adjacent to the site will function as a vegetated swale to filter site runoff.

Vegetated buffer strips are proposed along the edges of the proposed parking lot to directly filter parking runoff prior to entering the channel.

Permeable pavement is proposed in the southerly parking lot and a portion of the westerly parking lot to offset the increase in impervious surfaces as part of the proposed improvements and to allow some infiltration of runoff.

Curbless landscape areas within the parking areas will be used to filter and infiltrate runoff.



#### **MAINTENANCE**

Please check the box that best describes the maintenance mechanism(s) for this project. Guidelines for each category are located in Chapter 5, Section 5.2 of the County SUSMP.

CATEGORY	SELECTED			
	YES	NO		
First	X			
Second <sup>1</sup>				
Third <sup>1</sup>				
Fourth				

Note:

1. Projects in Category 2 or 3 may choose to establish or be included in a Stormwater Maintenance Assessment District for the long-term maintenance of treatment BMPs.

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

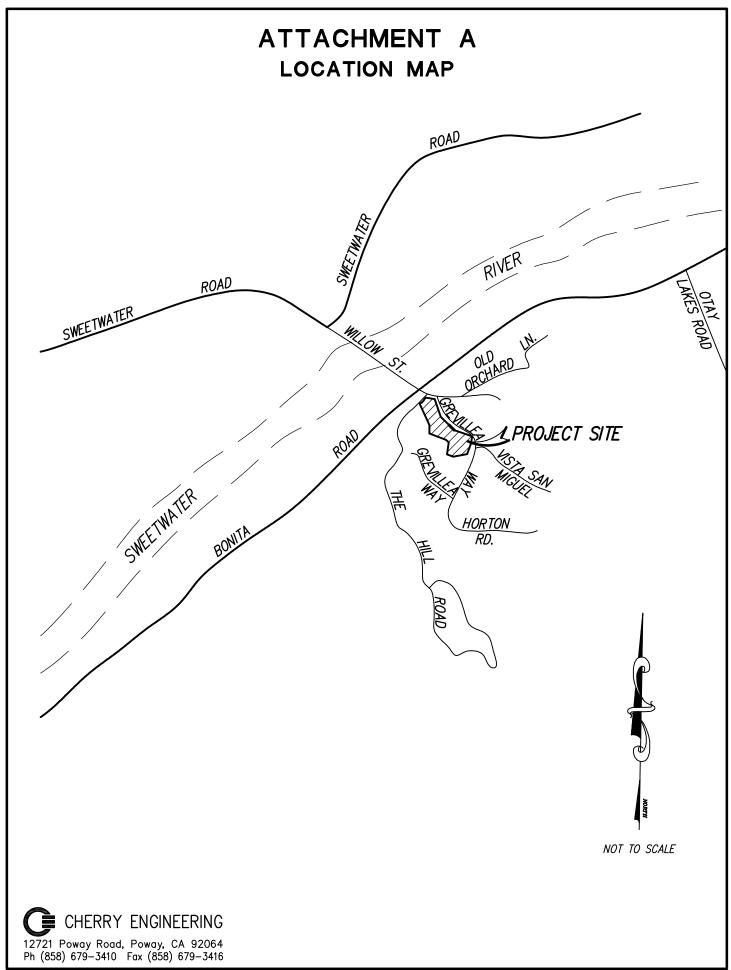
Please include the following attachments.

	ATTACHMENT	COMPLETED	N/A
A	Project Location Map	X	
В	Site Map	X	
C	Relevant Monitoring Data		X
D	LID and Treatment BMP Location Map	X	
Е	Treatment BMP Datasheets	X	
F	Operation and Maintenance Program for	X	
	Treatment BMPs		
G	Fiscal Resources	X	
Н	Certification Sheet	X	
I	Addendum		X

**Note:** Attachments A and B may be combined.

#### Church of the Good Shepherd– Table 3 Report

- 1. Site Topography The site is a relatively flat valley floor draining northerly. The length of the property is a bout 800 feet and the elevation drop from south to north is about 30 feet. There is a drainage channel around the easterly perimeter of the site.
- 2. Land Use The 3.7-acre site and immediate surroundings is currently zoned RR-1 Rural Residential. Upstream areas include open space and low/medium density housing.
- 3. Dry Weather Flows There are no natural dry weather flows occurring on site. During the summer months the existing channel is either dry or carries minor irrigation flow from the surrounding area.
- 4. Receiving Waters The downstream receiving waters for project runoff is the Sweetwater River and ultimately the Pacific Ocean about 8 miles downstream.
- 5. 303(d) Constituents of Concern According to the Clean Water Act Section 303(d) list, approved by the San Diego Regional Water Quality Control Board on 10/25/06, there are no impaired water bodies within 200 feet of this project.
- 6. High Risk Areas There are no municipal or domestic water supply reservoirs or groundwater facilities within the project limits.
- 7. Special Requirements The Regional Board does not have special requirements (TMDLs, effluent limits, etc.) for the project site or its immediate receiving water body (Sweetwater River).
- 8. General Climate Bonita has a mediterranean type climate with an average precipitation of about 10 inches per year. 100 year 6 hour and 24 hour rainfall curves are 2.75 and 5.0 inches respectively.
- 9. Treatment BMPs According to Table 4 of the SWMP treatment BMPs are not required.
- 10. Contaminated Soils There are no known contaminated or hazardous soils within the project area.
- 11. This project is not within a county defined environmentally sensitive area.
- 12. This project is not an emergency project.



# ATTACHMENT B PROJECT MAP BONITA ROAD OLD ORCHARD LANE GREVILLEA WAY GRAPHIC SCALE 360' CHERRY ENGINEERING 240' 12721 Poway Road, Poway, CA 92064 Ph (858) 679-3410 Fax (858) 679-3416 SCALE: 1"= 120' 12-10-04

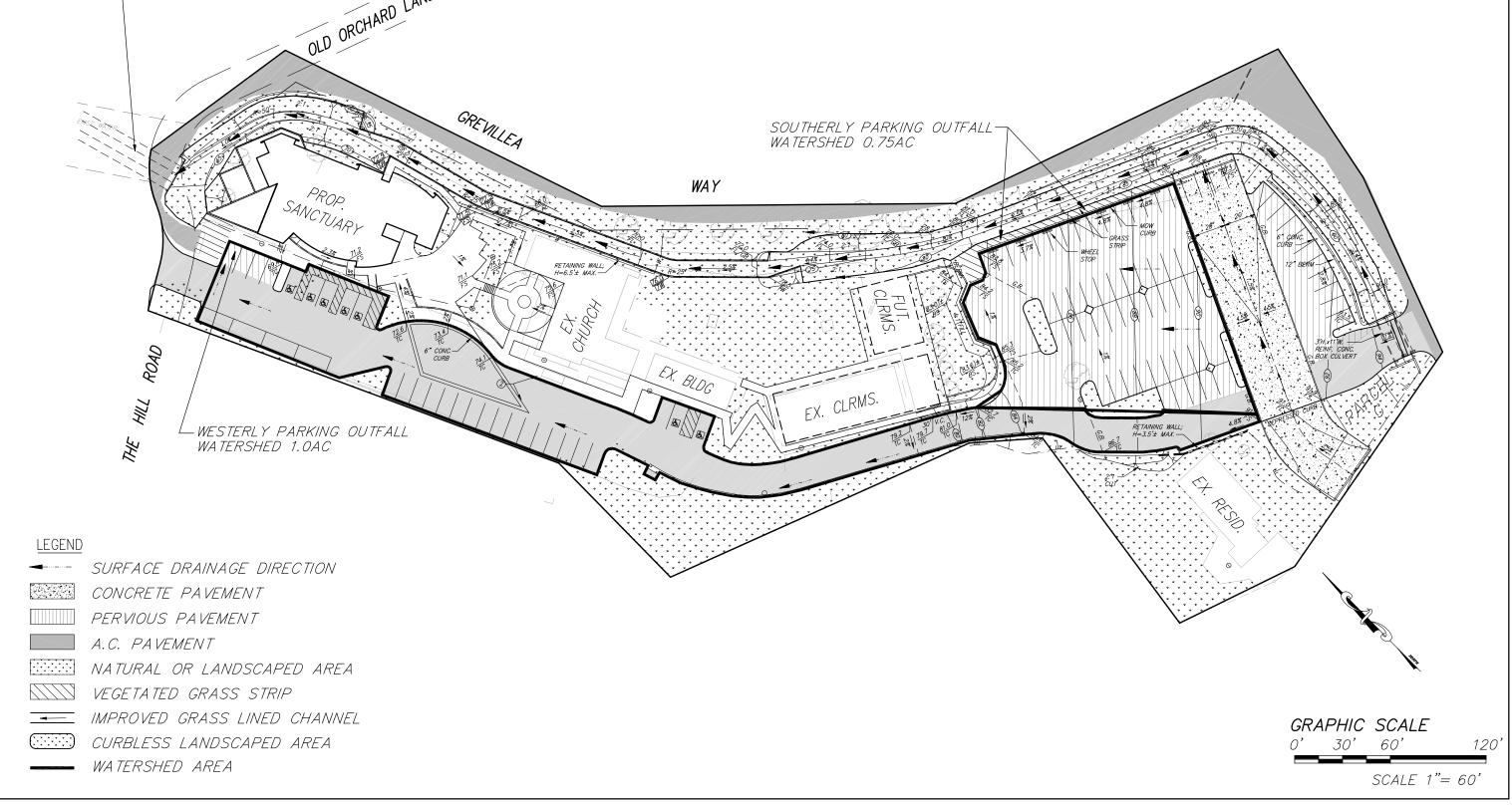
## **ATTACHMENT C**

#### **RELEVANT MONITORING DATA**

(NOTE: PROVIDE RELEVANT WATER QUALITY MONITORING DATA IF AVAILABLE.)

#### **NOT AVAILABLE**

# ATTACHMENT D LID AND TREATMENT BMP LOCATION MAP WATERSHED = 3.7AC (PROPERTY)SOUTHERLY PARKING OUTFALL-WATERSHED 0.75AC WAY



- BONITA ROAD CULVERTS

#### **ATTACHMENT E**

#### TREATMENT BMP DATASHEET

(NOTE: POSSIBLE SOURCE FOR DATASHEETS CAN BE FOUND AT

WWW.CABMPHANDBOOKS.COM. INCLUDE ENGINEERING CALCULATIONS FOR SIZING

THE TREATMENT BMP.)

#### **Vegetated Swales**

The improved grass lined channel along the project's easterly perimeter will function as a vegetated swale and provide treatment for the majority of the site. Also, vegetated swales will be placed adjacent to the southerly parking lot to provide initial treatment of runoff prior to entering the channel. The water quality flow rate for the southerly parking area was calculated using the County of San Diego's flow-based criteria (rainfall intensity is 0.2 inches per hour). The following table summarizes this flow (Qwq). The Qwq is the product of the tributary area, rainfall intensity and runoff coefficient (see page 19). The runoff coefficients were estimated based on percentage of impervious surface for the drainage area. The results for normal depth calculations are presented in the table.

Channel dimensions used for the calculation are 5' wide bottom width with 2:1 side slopes and an average longitudinal slope of 3.5%. A roughness coefficient of 0.045 was used consistent with the drainage calculations.

Outfall	QwQ (cfs)	VEL <sub>WQ</sub> (fps)	Depth (ft)	Width (ft)	Length (ft)	HRTime (min)
Southerly Parking	0.09	0.59	0.03	5.0	450	12.7

Based on current thinking the above hydraulic retention time is adequate (>10 min.) to address expected pollutant uptake. The depth of flow in the channel is less than 4", the recommended maximum depth. As the channel also drains the larger upstream watershed it is reasonable to assume the first flush of the church site will pass through the channel prior to the upstream runoff due to differing times of concentration thus insuring some level of filtration.

The westerly parking area will include both a vegetated buffer strip at the point of discharge and an area of permeable pavement to allow both filtering of the parking lot runoff and some infiltration of runoff into the subgrade. The vegetated buffer strip will be approximately 18 wide which is greater than the recommended width of 15 feet.

#### **ATTACHMENT F**

# OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE PROGRAM FOR TREATMENT BMPS

(NOTE: INFORMATION REGARDING OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE CAN BE OBTAINED FROM THE FOLLOWING WEB SITE:

HTTP://WWW.CO.SAN-DIEGO.CA.US/DPW/WATERSHEDS/LAND\_DEV/SUSMP.HTML.)

#### **Vegetated Buffer Strips**

#### **Operation**

Grass strips will be provided adjacent to the parking lots as shown on the BMP Exhibits in Attachment D. Surface runoff from the proposed paving and tributary areas will be directed across the strips prior to entering the channel. Storm water runoff will be treated as it sheet flows from the parking surfaces through the grass strips and into the adjacent channel. Runoff contact with vegetation improves water quality by plant uptake of pollutants and removal of sediment. Also, infiltration of runoff into the underlying soils will remove pollutants.

#### **Maintenance**

Grass strips require regular landscape maintenance, which will be performed by the Church on a regular basis. Maintenance requirements include irrigation, mowing (grass shall not be cut too short – length shall be maintained at 4 to 6 inches for appropriate water quality treatment) trimming, removal of invasive species/trash/sediment, and replanting, when necessary. The strips will be inspected and maintained by the Church as part of routine landscape maintenance.

#### **Pervious Pavement**

#### **Operation**

Pervious pavement will be placed in the south parking lot and in a portion of the west parking lot to provide a disconnection between parking areas and the drainage channel. The pervious pavement will also provide filtering and infiltration of runoff. The pervious pavement locations are shown on the BMP Exhibits in Attachment D.

#### Maintenance

The pervious pavement areas will require periodic maintenance to maintain pavement porosity. The areas will be vacuumed once a year to remove the buildup of fine soil particles within the pavement section.

### ATTACHMENT G

#### FISCAL RESOURCES

Vegetated grass strips belong to the First Category of maintenance mechanisms according to County's SUSMP. The County should have only minimal concern for ongoing maintenance of the grass bio-strips. The proposed BMP's inherently "take care of themselves", or property owners can naturally be expected to do so regular maintenance of their property.

The improved drainage channel will require periodic maintenance to keep the trash and debris down and the sediment under control. Also, the channel vegetation will need to moved periodically to maintain it's ability to convey runoff.

## **ATTACHMENT H**

#### **CERTIFICATION SHEET**

This Stormwater Management Plan has been prepared under the direction of the following Registered Civil Engineer. The Registered Civil Engineer attests to the technical information contained herein and the engineering data upon which recommendations, conclusions, and decisions are based.

Albert L. Cherry

August 29, 2008

Albert L. Cherry P.E. 37980 Exp. 3-31-09

Date



# ATTACHMENT I ADDENDUM



#### **Design Objectives**

- ☑ Maximize Infiltration
- Provide Retention
- ✓ Slow Runoff

Minimize Impervious Land Coverage

Prohibit Dumping of Improper Materials

Contain Pollutants

Collect and Convey

#### Description

Irrigation water provided to landscaped areas may result in excess irrigation water being conveyed into stormwater drainage systems.

#### **Approach**

Project plan designs for development and redevelopment should include application methods of irrigation water that minimize runoff of excess irrigation water into the stormwater conveyance system.

#### Suitable Applications

Appropriate applications include residential, commercial and industrial areas planned for development or redevelopment. (Detached residential single-family homes are typically excluded from this requirement.)

#### **Design Considerations**

#### **Designing New Installations**

The following methods to reduce excessive irrigation runoff should be considered, and incorporated and implemented where determined applicable and feasible by the Permittee:

- Employ rain-triggered shutoff devices to prevent irrigation after precipitation.
- Design irrigation systems to each landscape area's specific water requirements.
- Include design featuring flow reducers or shutoff valves triggered by a pressure drop to control water loss in the event of broken sprinkler heads or lines.
- Implement landscape plans consistent with County or City water conservation resolutions, which may include provision of water sensors, programmable irrigation times (for short cycles), etc.



- Design timing and application methods of irrigation water to minimize the runoff of excess irrigation water into the storm water drainage system.
- Group plants with similar water requirements in order to reduce excess irrigation runoff and promote surface filtration. Choose plants with low irrigation requirements (for example, native or drought tolerant species). Consider design features such as:
  - Using mulches (such as wood chips or bar) in planter areas without ground cover to minimize sediment in runoff
  - Installing appropriate plant materials for the location, in accordance with amount of sunlight and climate, and use native plant materials where possible and/or as recommended by the landscape architect
  - Leaving a vegetative barrier along the property boundary and interior watercourses, to act as a pollutant filter, where appropriate and feasible
  - Choosing plants that minimize or eliminate the use of fertilizer or pesticides to sustain growth
- Employ other comparable, equally effective methods to reduce irrigation water runoff.

#### Redeveloping Existing Installations

Various jurisdictional stormwater management and mitigation plans (SUSMP, WQMP, etc.) define "redevelopment" in terms of amounts of additional impervious area, increases in gross floor area and/or exterior construction, and land disturbing activities with structural or impervious surfaces. The definition of "redevelopment" must be consulted to determine whether or not the requirements for new development apply to areas intended for redevelopment. If the definition applies, the steps outlined under "designing new installations" above should be followed.

#### **Other Resources**

A Manual for the Standard Urban Stormwater Mitigation Plan (SUSMP), Los Angeles County Department of Public Works, May 2002.

Model Standard Urban Storm Water Mitigation Plan (SUSMP) for San Diego County, Port of San Diego, and Cities in San Diego County, February 14, 2002.

Model Water Quality Management Plan (WQMP) for County of Orange, Orange County Flood Control District, and the Incorporated Cities of Orange County, Draft February 2003.

Ventura Countywide Technical Guidance Manual for Stormwater Quality Control Measures, July 2002.



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#### **Description**

Pervious paving is used for light vehicle loading in parking areas. The term describes a system comprising a load-bearing, durable surface together with an underlying layered structure that temporarily stores water prior to infiltration or drainage to a controlled outlet. The surface can itself be porous such that water infiltrates across the entire surface of the material (e.g., grass and gravel surfaces, porous concrete and porous asphalt), or can be built up of impermeable blocks separated by spaces and joints, through which the water can drain. This latter system is termed 'permeable' paving. Advantages of pervious pavements is that they reduce runoff volume while providing treatment, and are unobtrusive resulting in a high level of acceptability.

#### Approach

Attenuation of flow is provided by the storage within the underlying structure or sub base, together with appropriate flow controls. An underlying geotextile may permit groundwater recharge, thus contributing to the restoration of the natural water cycle. Alternatively, where infiltration is inappropriate (e.g., if the groundwater vulnerability is high, or the soil type is unsuitable), the surface can be constructed above an impermeable membrane. The system offers a valuable solution for drainage of spatially constrained urban areas.

Significant attenuation and improvement in water quality can be achieved by permeable pavements, whichever method is used. The surface and subsurface infrastructure can remove both the soluble and fine particulate pollutants that occur within urban runoff. Roof water can be piped into the storage area directly, adding areas from which the flow can be attenuated. Also, within lined systems, there is the opportunity for stored runoff to be piped out for reuse.

#### **Suitable Applications**

Residential, commercial and industrial applications are possible. The use of permeable pavement may be restricted in cold regions, arid regions or regions with high wind erosion. There are some specific disadvantages associated with permeable pavement, which are as follows:



- Permeable pavement can become clogged if improperly installed or maintained. However, this is countered by the ease with which small areas of paving can be cleaned or replaced when blocked or damaged.
- Their application should be limited to highways with low traffic volumes, axle loads and speeds (less than 30 mph limit), car parking areas and other lightly trafficked or non-trafficked areas. Permeable surfaces are currently not considered suitable for adoptable roads due to the risks associated with failure on high speed roads, the safety implications of ponding, and disruption arising from reconstruction.
- When using un-lined, infiltration systems, there is some risk of contaminating groundwater, depending on soil conditions and aquifer susceptibility. However, this risk is likely to be small because the areas drained tend to have inherently low pollutant loadings.
- The use of permeable pavement is restricted to gentle slopes.
- Porous block paving has a higher risk of abrasion and damage than solid blocks.

#### **Design Considerations**

#### **Designing New Installations**

If the grades, subsoils, drainage characteristics, and groundwater conditions are suitable, permeable paving may be substituted for conventional pavement on parking areas, cul de sacs and other areas with light traffic. Slopes should be flat or very gentle. Scottish experience has shown that permeable paving systems can be installed in a wide range of ground conditions, and the flow attenuation performance is excellent even when the systems are lined.

The suitability of a pervious system at a particular pavement site will, however, depend on the loading criteria required of the pavement.

Where the system is to be used for infiltrating drainage waters into the ground, the vulnerability of local groundwater sources to pollution from the site should be low, and the seasonal high water table should be at least 4 feet below the surface.

Ideally, the pervious surface should be horizontal in order to intercept local rainfall at source. On sloping sites, pervious surfaces may be terraced to accommodate differences in levels.

#### Design Guidelines

The design of each layer of the pavement must be determined by the likely traffic loadings and their required operational life. To provide satisfactory performance, the following criteria should be considered:

- The subgrade should be able to sustain traffic loading without excessive deformation.
- The granular capping and sub-base layers should give sufficient load-bearing to provide an adequate construction platform and base for the overlying pavement layers.
- The pavement materials should not crack of suffer excessive rutting under the influence of traffic. This is controlled by the horizontal tensile stress at the base of these layers.

There is no current structural design method specifically for pervious pavements. Allowances should be considered the following factors in the design and specification of materials:

- Pervious pavements use materials with high permeability and void space. All the current UK
  pavement design methods are based on the use of conventional materials that are dense and
  relatively impermeable. The stiffness of the materials must therefore be assessed.
- Water is present within the construction and can soften and weaken materials, and this must be allowed for.
- Existing design methods assume full friction between layers. Any geotextiles or geomembranes must be carefully specified to minimize loss of friction between layers.
- Porous asphalt loses adhesion and becomes brittle as air passes through the voids. Its durability is therefore lower than conventional materials.

The single sized grading of materials used means that care should be taken to ensure that loss of finer particles between unbound layers does not occur.

Positioning a geotextile near the surface of the pervious construction should enable pollutants to be trapped and retained close to the surface of the construction. This has both advantages and disadvantages. The main disadvantage is that the filtering of sediments and their associated pollutants at this level may hamper percolation of waters and can eventually lead to surface ponding. One advantage is that even if eventual maintenance is required to reinstate infiltration, only a limited amount of the construction needs to be disturbed, since the sub-base below the geotextile is protected. In addition, the pollutant concentration at a high level in the structure allows for its release over time. It is slowly transported in the stormwater to lower levels where chemical and biological processes may be operating to retain or degrade pollutants.

The design should ensure that sufficient void space exists for the storage of sediments to limit the period between remedial works.

- Pervious pavements require a single size grading to give open voids. The choice of materials is therefore a compromise between stiffness, permeability and storage capacity.
- Because the sub-base and capping will be in contact with water for a large part of the time, the strength and durability of the aggregate particles when saturated and subjected to wetting and drying should be assessed.
- A uniformly graded single size material cannot be compacted and is liable to move when construction traffic passes over it. This effect can be reduced by the use of angular crushed rock material with a high surface friction.

In pollution control terms, these layers represent the site of long term chemical and biological pollutant retention and degradation processes. The construction materials should be selected, in addition to their structural strength properties, for their ability to sustain such processes. In general, this means that materials should create neutral or slightly alkaline conditions and they should provide favorable sites for colonization by microbial populations.

# Construction/Inspection Considerations

- Permeable surfaces can be laid without cross-falls or longitudinal gradients.
- The blocks should be lain level
- They should not be used for storage of site materials, unless the surface is well protected from deposition of silt and other spillages.
- The pavement should be constructed in a single operation, as one of the last items to be built, on a development site. Landscape development should be completed before pavement construction to avoid contamination by silt or soil from this source.
- Surfaces draining to the pavement should be stabilized before construction of the pavement.
- Inappropriate construction equipment should be kept away from the pavement to prevent damage to the surface, sub-base or sub-grade.

# Maintenance Requirements

The maintenance requirements of a pervious surface should be reviewed at the time of design and should be clearly specified. Maintenance is required to prevent clogging of the pervious surface. The factors to be considered when defining maintenance requirements must include:

- Type of use
- Ownership
- Level of trafficking
- The local environment and any contributing catchments

Studies in the UK have shown satisfactory operation of porous pavement systems without maintenance for over 10 years and recent work by Imbe et al. at 9th ICUD, Portland, 2002 describes systems operating for over 20 years without maintenance. However, performance under such regimes could not be guaranteed, Table 1 shows typical recommended maintenance regimes:

Table 1 Typical Recommended Maintenance Regimes						
	Activity	Schedule				
	Minimize use of salt or grit for de-icing					
	Keep landscaped areas well maintained	Ongoing				
	Prevent soil being washed onto pavement					
	Vacuum clean surface using commercially available sweeping machines at the following times:					
	- End of winter (April)	2/3 x per year				
	- Mid-summer (July / August)					
	- After Autumn leaf-fall (November)					
	Inspect outlets	Annual				
•	If routine cleaning does not restore infiltration rates, then reconstruction of part of the whole of a pervious surface may be required.					
-	The surface area affected by hydraulic failure should be lifted for inspection of the internal materials to identify the location and extent of the blockage.	As needed (infrequent) Maximum 15-20 years				
	Surface materials should be lifted and replaced after brush cleaning. Geotextiles may need complete replacement.	J				
	Sub-surface layers may need cleaning and replacing.					
•	Removed silts may need to be disposed of as controlled waste.					

Permeable pavements are up to 25 % cheaper (or at least no more expensive than the traditional forms of pavement construction), when all construction and drainage costs are taken into account. (Accepting that the porous asphalt itself is a more expensive surfacing, the extra cost of which is offset by the savings in underground pipework etc.) (Niemczynowicz, et al., 1987)

Table 1 gives US cost estimates for capital and maintenance costs of porous pavements (Landphair et al., 2000)

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## **Additional Information**

Cost Considerations

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Table 2 gives US cost estimates for capital and maintenance costs of porous pavements (Landphair et al., 2000)

 Table 2
 Engineer's Estimate for Porous Pavement

					Р	orous P	avemen	t					
Item	Units	Price	Cycles/ Year	Quant. 1 Acre WS	Total	Quant. 2 Acre WS	Total	Quant. 3 Acre WS	Total	Quant. 4 Acre WS	Total	Quant. 5 Acre WS	Total
Grading	SY	\$2.00		604	\$1,208	1209	\$2,418	1812	\$3,624	2419	\$4,838	3020	\$6,040
Paving	SY	\$19.00		212	\$4,028	424	\$8,056	636	\$12,084	848	\$16,112	1060	\$20,140
Excavation	ÇY	\$3.60		201	\$724	403	\$1,451	604	\$2,174	806	\$2,902	1008	\$3,629
Filter Fabric	SY	\$1.15		700	\$805	1400	\$1,610	2000	\$2,300	2800	\$3,220	3600	\$4,140
Stone Fill	CY	\$16.00		201	\$3,216	403	\$6,448	604	\$9,664	806	\$12,896	1008	\$16,128
Sand	CY	\$7.00		100	\$700	200	\$1,400	300	\$2,100	400	\$2,800	500	\$3,500
Sight Well	EA	\$300.00		2	\$600	3	\$900	4	\$1,200	7	\$2,100	7	\$2,100
Seeding	LF	\$0.05		644	\$32	1288	\$64	1932	\$97	2576	\$129	3220	\$161
Check Dam	CY	\$35.00		0	\$0	0	\$0	0	\$0	0	\$0	0	\$0
Total Construction Costs				\$10,105		\$19,929		\$29,619		\$40,158		\$49,798	
Construction Costs Amortized for 20 Years			\$505		\$996		\$1,481		\$2,008		\$2,490		
Annual Maintenance Expense													
Item	Units	Price	Cycles/ Year	Quant. 1 Acre WS	Total	Quant. 2 Acre WS	Total	Quant. 3 Acre WS	Total	Quant. 4 Acre WS	Total	Quant. 5 Acre WS	Total
Sweeping	AC	\$250.00	6	1	\$1,500	2	\$3,000	3	\$4,500	4	\$6,000	5	\$7,500
Washing	AC	\$250.00	6	1	\$1,500	2	\$3,000	3	\$4,500	4	\$6,000	5	\$7,500
Inspection	MH	\$20.00	5	5	\$100	5	\$100	5	\$100	5	\$100	5	\$100
Deep Clean	AC	\$450.00	0.5	1	\$225	2	\$450	3	\$675	3.9	\$878	5	\$1,125
Total Annual Maintenance Expense							\$7,792		\$11,651		\$15,483		\$19,370

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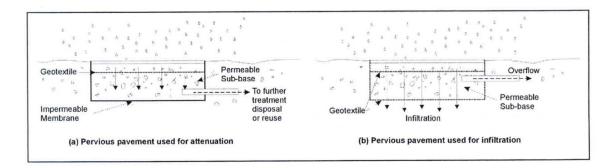
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**Schematics of a Pervious Pavement System** 



# **Design Considerations**

- Tributary Area
- Slope
- Water Availability
- Aesthetics

# Description

Grassed buffer strips (vegetated filter strips, filter strips, and grassed filters) are vegetated surfaces that are designed to treat sheet flow from adjacent surfaces. Filter strips function by slowing runoff velocities and allowing sediment and other pollutants to settle and by providing some infiltration into underlying soils. Filter strips were originally used as an agricultural treatment practice and have more recently evolved into an urban practice. With proper design and maintenance, filter strips can provide relatively high pollutant removal. In addition, the public views them as landscaped amenities and not as stormwater infrastructure. Consequently, there is little resistance to their use.

# California Experience

Caltrans constructed and monitored three vegetated buffer strips in southern California and is currently evaluating their performance at eight additional sites statewide. These strips were generally effective in reducing the volume and mass of pollutants in runoff. Even in the areas where the annual rainfall was only about 10 inches/yr, the vegetation did not require additional irrigation. One factor that strongly affected performance was the presence of large numbers of gophers at most of the southern California sites. The gophers created earthen mounds, destroyed vegetation, and generally reduced the effectiveness of the controls for TSS reduction.

# **Advantages**

- Buffers require minimal maintenance activity (generally just erosion prevention and mowing).
- If properly designed, vegetated, and operated, buffer strips can provide reliable water quality benefits in conjunction with high aesthetic appeal.

# **Targeted Constituents**

Nutrients

**✓** Trash

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✓ Metals

✓ Bacteria✓ Oil and Grease

✓ Organics

## Legend (Removal Effectiveness)

Low

■ High

▲ Medium



# Vegetated Buffer Strip

- Flow characteristics and vegetation type and density can be closely controlled to maximize BMP effectiveness.
- Roadside shoulders act as effective buffer strips when slope and length meet criteria described below.

## Limitations

- May not be appropriate for industrial sites or locations where spills may occur.
- Buffer strips cannot treat a very large drainage area.
- A thick vegetative cover is needed for these practices to function properly.
- Buffer or vegetative filter length must be adequate and flow characteristics acceptable or water quality performance can be severely limited.
- Vegetative buffers may not provide treatment for dissolved constituents except to the extent that flows across the vegetated surface are infiltrated into the soil profile.
- This technology does not provide significant attenuation of the increased volume and flow rate of runoff during intense rain events.

# **Design and Sizing Guidelines**

- Maximum length (in the direction of flow towards the buffer) of the tributary area should be 60 feet.
- Slopes should not exceed 15%.
- Minimum length (in direction of flow) is 15 feet.
- Width should be the same as the tributary area.
- Either grass or a diverse selection of other low growing, drought tolerant, native vegetation should be specified. Vegetation whose growing season corresponds to the wet season is preferred.

## Construction/Inspection Considerations

- Include directions in the specifications for use of appropriate fertilizer and soil amendments based on soil properties determined through testing and compared to the needs of the vegetation requirements.
- Install strips at the time of the year when there is a reasonable chance of successful
  establishment without irrigation; however, it is recognized that rainfall in a given year may
  not be sufficient and temporary irrigation may be required.
- If sod tiles must be used, they should be placed so that there are no gaps between the tiles; stagger the ends of the tiles to prevent the formation of channels along the strip.
- Use a roller on the sod to ensure that no air pockets form between the sod and the soil.

■ Where seeds are used, erosion controls will be necessary to protect seeds for at least 75 days after the first rainfall of the season.

## **Performance**

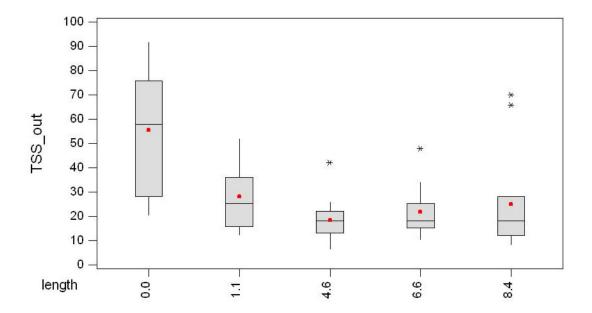
Vegetated buffer strips tend to provide somewhat better treatment of stormwater runoff than swales and have fewer tendencies for channelization or erosion. Table 1 documents the pollutant removal observed in a recent study by Caltrans (2002) based on three sites in southern California. The column labeled "Significance" is the probability that the mean influent and effluent EMCs are not significantly different based on an analysis of variance.

The removal of sediment and dissolved metals was comparable to that observed in much more complex controls. Reduction in nitrogen was not significant and all of the sites exported phosphorus for the entire study period. This may have been the result of using salt grass, a warm weather species that is dormant during the wet season, and which leaches phosphorus when dormant.

Another Caltrans study (unpublished) of vegetated highway shoulders as buffer strips also found substantial reductions often within a very short distance of the edge of pavement. Figure 1 presents a box and whisker plot of the concentrations of TSS in highway runoff after traveling various distances (shown in meters) through a vegetated filter strip with a slope of about 10%. One can see that the TSS median concentration reaches an irreducible minimum concentration of about 20 mg/L within 5 meters of the pavement edge.

Table 1 Pollutant Reduction in a Vegetated Buffer Strip

	Mean	<b>EMC</b>	Removal	Significance		
Constituent	Influent Effluent (mg/L)		%	P		
TSS	119	31	74	< 0.000		
NO <sub>3</sub> -N	0.67	0.58	13	0.367		
TKN-N	2.50	2.10	16	0.542		
Total Na	3.17	2.68	15	-		
Dissolved P	0.15	0.46	-206	0.047		
Total P	0.42	0.62	-52	0.035		
Total Cu	0.058	0.009	84	< 0.000		
Total Pb	0.046	0.006	88	< 0.000		
Total Zn	0.245	0.055	78	< 0.000		
Dissolved Cu	0.029	0.007	77	0.004		
Dissolved Pb	0.004	0.002	66	0.006		
Dissolved Zn	0.099	0.035	65	< 0.000		



Filter strips also exhibit good removal of litter and other floatables because the water depth in these systems is well below the vegetation height and consequently these materials are not easily transported through them. Unfortunately little attenuation of peak runoff rates and volumes (particularly for larger events) is normally observed, depending on the soil properties. Therefore it may be prudent to follow the strips with another practice than can reduce flooding and channel erosion downstream.

# Siting Criteria

The use of buffer strips is limited to gently sloping areas where the vegetative cover is robust and diffuse, and where shallow flow characteristics are possible. The practical water quality benefits can be effectively eliminated with the occurrence of significant erosion or when flow concentration occurs across the vegetated surface. Slopes should not exceed 15 percent or be less than 1 percent. The vegetative surface should extend across the full width of the area being drained. The upstream boundary of the filter should be located contiguous to the developed area. Use of a level spreading device (vegetated berm, sawtooth concrete border, rock trench, etc) to facilitate overland sheet flow is not normally recommended because of maintenance considerations and the potential for standing water.

Filter strips are applicable in most regions, but are restricted in some situations because they consume a large amount of space relative to other practices. Filter strips are best suited to treating runoff from roads and highways, roof downspouts, small parking lots, and pervious surfaces. They are also ideal components of the "outer zone" of a stream buffer or as pretreatment to a structural practice. In arid areas, however, the cost of irrigating the grass on the practice will most likely outweigh its water quality benefits, although aesthetic considerations may be sufficient to overcome this constraint. Filter strips are generally impractical in ultra-urban areas where little pervious surface exists.

Some cold water species, such as trout, are sensitive to changes in temperature. While some treatment practices, such as wet ponds, can warm stormwater substantially, filter strips do not

are not expected to increase stormwater temperatures. Thus, these practices are good for protection of cold-water streams.

Filter strips should be separated from the ground water by between 2 and 4 ft to prevent contamination and to ensure that the filter strip does not remain wet between storms.

# **Additional Design Guidelines**

Filter strips appear to be a minimal design practice because they are basically no more than a grassed slope. In general the slope of the strip should not exceed 15fc% and the strip should be at least 15 feet long to provide water quality treatment. Both the top and toe of the slope should be as flat as possible to encourage sheet flow and prevent erosion. The top of the strip should be installed 2-5 inches below the adjacent pavement, so that vegetation and sediment accumulation at the edge of the strip does not prevent runoff from entering.

A major question that remains unresolved is how large the drainage area to a strip can be. Research has conclusively demonstrated that these are effective on roadside shoulders, where the contributing area is about twice the buffer area. They have also been installed on the perimeter of large parking lots where they performed fairly effectively; however much lower slopes may be needed to provide adequate water quality treatment.

The filter area should be densely vegetated with a mix of erosion-resistant plant species that effectively bind the soil. Native or adapted grasses, shrubs, and trees are preferred because they generally require less fertilizer and are more drought resistant than exotic plants. Runoff flow velocities should not exceed about 1 fps across the vegetated surface.

For engineered vegetative strips, the facility surface should be graded flat prior to placement of vegetation. Initial establishment of vegetation requires attentive care including appropriate watering, fertilization, and prevention of excessive flow across the facility until vegetation completely covers the area and is well established. Use of a permanent irrigation system may help provide maximal water quality performance.

In cold climates, filter strips provide a convenient area for snow storage and treatment. If used for this purpose, vegetation in the filter strip should be salt-tolerant (e.g., creeping bentgrass), and a maintenance schedule should include the removal of sand built up at the bottom of the slope. In arid or semi-arid climates, designers should specify drought-tolerant grasses to minimize irrigation requirements.

# Maintenance

Filter strips require mainly vegetation management; therefore little special training is needed for maintenance crews. Typical maintenance activities and frequencies include:

- Inspect strips at least twice annually for erosion or damage to vegetation, preferably at the end of the wet season to schedule summer maintenance and before major fall run-off to be sure the strip is ready for winter. However, additional inspection after periods of heavy run-off is most desirable. The strip should be checked for debris and litter and areas of sediment accumulation.
- Recent research on biofiltration swales, but likely applicable to strips (Colwell et al., 2000), indicates that grass height and mowing frequency have little impact on pollutant removal;

consequently, mowing may only be necessary once or twice a year for safety and aesthetics or to suppress weeds and woody vegetation.

- Trash tends to accumulate in strip areas, particularly along highways. The need for litter removal should be determined through periodic inspection but litter should always be removed prior to mowing.
- Regularly inspect vegetated buffer strips for pools of standing water. Vegetated buffer strips can become a nuisance due to mosquito breeding in level spreaders (unless designed to dewater completely in 48-72 hours), in pools of standing water if obstructions develop (e.g. debris accumulation, invasive vegetation), and/or if proper drainage slopes are not implemented and maintained.

## Cost

## **Construction Cost**

Little data is available on the actual construction costs of filter strips. One rough estimate can be the cost of seed or sod, which is approximately  $30^{\circ}$  per ft² for seed or  $70^{\circ}$  per ft² for sod. This amounts to between \$13,000 and \$30,000 per acre of filter strip. This cost is relatively high compared with other treatment practices. However, the grassed area used as a filter strip may have been seeded or sodded even if it were not used for treatment. In these cases, the only additional cost is the design. Typical maintenance costs are about \$350/acre/year (adapted from SWRPC, 1991). This cost is relatively inexpensive and, again, might overlap with regular landscape maintenance costs.

The true cost of filter strips is the land they consume. In some situations this land is available as wasted space beyond back yards or adjacent to roadsides, but this practice is cost-prohibitive when land prices are high and land could be used for other purposes.

#### Maintenance Cost

Maintenance of vegetated buffer strips consists mainly of vegetation management (mowing, irrigation if needed, weeding) and litter removal. Consequently the costs are quite variable depending on the frequency of these activities and the local labor rate.

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